

The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 3426

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
LATE
THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON AND CHINA.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, at the rate of a per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.
" 6 ".....4 " "
" 3 ".....3 " "
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shing, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. W. Wotton, Esq.
C. J. Hirst, Esq. Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai, Amoy and Foochow.

BANKERS:—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland, Parry Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.).

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
" 6 " " " 4 " "
" 3 " " " 3 " "
CURRENT ACCOUNTS " 2 " "
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [18]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED-UP £251,093.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:—
Wm. Kewick, Esq.—Chairman,
Adolf von Arnim, Esq. F. D. Sassoon, Esq.
Egbert Iveson, Esq. H. D. Stewart, Esq.
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE:—
The Hon. J. J. Kewick, The Hon. C. P. Chater, H. Hopkin, Esq.

Head Office:—3, Princes Street, London.
Branches:—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and Shanghai.
Agents:—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST,
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained
on application.

CHANDLER INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [199]

Insurances.

£1,000 STG. Payable at Age 55, or
at death if previous—may be secured by
a payment at the rate of:—

£ 7 7 6 { per quarter if commenced at age
(n.b.)
£ 8 14 225
£ 10 11 230
£ 13 4 1035
£ 17 15 840
£ 27 12 645

AFTER the Policy has been three years in
force—the Policy-holder will be entitled
to receive on application a Free Paid-up Policy
for proportionate amount of the Sum Assured,
as explained in Prospectus, should he wish to
discontinue payment of premiums.

DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.
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GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).
CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000, £333,333.33.
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND £318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
LEE SWO, Esq. LO YUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TEO SWO, Esq.

MANAGER:—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES on all parts of the
world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA-WEST.
Hongkong, 27th December, 1892. [189]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,
&c., Policies granted to all parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1893. [173]

HONGKONG TIMBER
YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER
Always on Hand.
L. MALLORY,
Hongkong, 24th June, 1893. [144]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THOSE invited to Practice for the INTER-
PORT MATCH, TO-MORROW, the 22nd
Instant are specially asked to attend. It is
requested that the following Gentlemen will
notify the Hon. Sec. or Assistant Hon. Sec. if
they are ready to shoot in the Team if selected,
the Match probably to take place at 1 P.M.
TO-MORROW, the 22nd Instant, viz.:—Messrs.
WARNOCK, W. DUNCAN, LINDLE, WELMAN,
SWINNEY, D. MCLENNAN and KINGFORD.
ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [51]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of
"THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED," will be held at the OFFICES
of the COMPANY, No. 2, Queen's Road Central,
Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on
MONDAY, the 1st day of May, 1893, at 3
o'clock in the Afternoon, when the subject
Resolution will be proposed:—
That the following Subsection of Article 103 of the
Articles of Association of The China Fire
Insurance Company, Limited, with its
marginal note, be expunged, and that in
lieu thereof the following Subsection and
marginal note be inserted, viz:—

1st.—It may invest the Funds of the
Company in or upon English, Indian,
and Hongkong Government Stocks,
Bonds, and Funds, and in or upon the
Stocks, Bonds, Funds, and Securities of
any Foreign Government, Country, or
State, and upon Mortgage of freehold
or leasehold property in Hongkong or
elsewhere, and in or upon deposits
with or loans at interest to any Banking
Institutions wherever established, and
in or upon such other Securities as it
may in its discretion think fit, and may
from time to time convert or realise any
monies so invested and re-invest the
same in or upon any of the Securities
aforesaid as occasion requires.

By Order of the Board.
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1893. [435]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date NO FULLY PAID-UP
SHARES of this Company will be
TRANSFERRED on which the Calls on the
NEW SHARES standing in the same Name
remain unpaid.

By Order, R. LYALL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [444]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
contracts for the Supply of ITALIAN
MARBLE MONUMENTS. These Monuments
are beautifully carved, of the best design and
workmanship, and their prices are very reason-
able. They have also for SALE AMERICAN
MARBLE MONUMENTS at greatly reduced
prices for a period of TWO MONTHS ONLY from
the date hereof. A discount of 5 per cent. as
per schedule of prices, will be allowed to all
buyers, and a further discount of 5 per cent.
making 10 per cent. in all, will be allowed
to Military, Naval and Police Officers. An
inspection is respectfully invited. They have
also HONGKONG GRANITE MONUMENTS
for Sale at reasonable prices.

TAI YUN SHOP,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, 18th April, 1893. [477]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public
that he has bought from the Official
Trustees the GOODWILL and STOCK-IN-
TRADE of the TEEN YIK OIL SHOP, No.
44, Bonham Strand West, and that he will
carry on the same Business in the same place
and under the same Style.

MOW TACK,
Hongkong, 14th April, 1893. [464]
油生益天辦承德茂

THE MIKE COAL MINING COMPANY.

THE MIKE COAL is a
BITUMINOUS COAL
of dark reddish colour. For steam purposes
it has been pronounced to be the best and the
most economical of all the Japanese Coals. Its
export is increasing yearly, and the opinions
expressed by several of the largest regular
consumers are in testimony of the excellent
qualities of this coal.

Attention is called to the following advantages
to Ship's Owners and Captains, who call their
business direct from the Undersigned:—

FRESHNESS of the coal.
UNIFORMITY of quality.
FREEDOM from impurities.
Supply in any quantity on shortest notice.

Quick despatch.
BEST of weight, etc., etc.
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Sole Agents.
Hongkong, 17th September, 1892. [600]

KING WO CHEONG.

COAL MERCHANTS' SHIP'S COM-
PRA-DORES, STEVEDORES, &c.
Have for Sale a cargo of pure AKAIKI COAL,
ex GODOWN and ex SHIP.

MR. J. W. BOYD, Superintendent at
Kowloon Docks, reports that AKAIKI
COAL GIVES TEN PER CENT. BETTER
RESULTS than any Japanese Coal he has ever
used.

For full particulars as to price, &c.,
Apply to
KING WO CHEONG,
No. 2, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1893. [187]

Intimations.

THE
HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Krenlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East,
affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of
the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf
(the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping
Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.
THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being
under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to
spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications.
The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public
BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.
A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour
adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.
HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers
and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER
Manager.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1892. [198]

W. BREWER.
QUEEN'S ROAD.

SLAZINGER'S DEMON TENNIS BATS.
CHAMPION TENNIS BATS.
ALLIANCE TENNIS BATS.
WIMBLEDON TENNIS BATS.
FAVORITE, FALCON, &c.

SPECIAL BLACK GUT BATS. AYRES' REGULATION TENNIS BALLS.
SLAZINGER & SONS' 1893 BALLS. FAULTLESS UNDERSEWN and other BALLS.
FOOTBALLS. BOYS' CRICKET SETS. PARLOUR SKITTLES and other Games.

TENNIS BELTS for Ladies and Gentlemen.
TENNIS SHOES (Kenshaw's) both Ladies and Gentlemen.
GUIDE TO HONGKONG, CANTON and MACAO.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1893. [40]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

SALTERS' CELEBRATED BLACK GUT
TENNIS BATS.

AYRES' 1893 CHAMPIONSHIP
TENNIS BALLS.

SALTERS' ALL BUCK, RED RUBBER
TENNIS SHOES.

TENNIS NETS AND POLES.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1893. [7]

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

FOR SALE.

CALCUTTA-MADE
SUN HATS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1893. [1071]

W. ROBINSON & Co.

(UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL) HONGKONG.

PIANO TUNING.

SATISFACTORY WORK GUARANTEED.

SINGLE TUNING\$ 5.00.
6 TUNINGS A YEAR\$10.00 PER ANNUM.
12 do. do.\$18.00 do.

INCLUDING MINOR REPAIRS AND THE KEEPING OF THE PIANO IN GOOD
ORDER AND CONDITION.

PIANOS BOUGHT, SOLD OR TAKEN IN EXCHANGE, PACKED, REMOVED AND
STORED.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1893. [581]

W. POWELL & CO.

ARE LANDING EX S.S. "NINGCHOW"

OVER 800 PIECES OF

NEW SUMMER
DRESS GOODS.

ANY LENGTH CUT. PATTERN FREE BY POST.

W. POWELL & CO.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1893. [6]

Intimations.

STEAM WATER-BOATS.

SHIPS Supplied with FRESH WATER for
BOILERS and DOMESTIC PURPOSES
with despatch.

J. W. KEW & Co.,
and Floor,
18, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1893. [483]

HONGKONG CORINTHIAN SAILING
CLUB.

THERE will be a GENERAL MEETING
of the above Club, at 6 P.M. on FRIDAY,
the 28th Inst., in the GYMNASIUM of the Victoria
Recreation Club.

Notices of Motion to be sent to Hon. Sec.,
Hongkong Corinthian Sailing Club.
F. LINDSAY LLOYD, R.E.,
Honorary Secretary,
Hongkong Corinthian Sailing Club.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1893. [484]

NOTICE.
DIVING.

AN experienced man seeks an engagement
as a DIVER, either as an "OPERA-
TIVE" or in charge of a DIVING PARTY.
Fully acquainted with all latest improvements
in sub-marine-craft, Telephone, Lamp-work
etc.

Slabe and Gorman's apparatus (Double or
single Pump) can be provided.
Breakwater and Pier Work a Specialty.
The Salving of Cargo and Removal
of Wrecks undertaken in any locality.
References regarding work executed in the
North Atlantic, Mediterranean and China Seas
can be seen.

DETONATOR,
c/o Office of the Hongkong Telegraph.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1893. [392]

D. R. KNORR'S
LION BRAND
ANTIPYRINE.

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TROY.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MI-
GRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM,
FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE,
ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and
many other complaints. It is also the very
best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the
Medical Faculty. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S
ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's
signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

"DERMATOL" is the best Vulnerary; its
effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds,
is described as amazing.
To be had at every reputed Chemist and
Druggist.
Supplies constantly on hand at the China
Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for
China.

Beware of spurious imitations.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1893. [406]

To be Let.

TO LET,
WITH POSSESSION ON THE 1ST MAY.

THE TOP FLOOR of Messrs. Gibb, Living-
ston & Co.'s Hong, No. 6, Ice House
Lane. Five Rooms and three Bath Rooms.
Rent, \$75 a month including taxes.
Apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1893. [453]

TO LET.
FOUR ROOMS (Furnished or Unfurnished)
above the Kowloon Club, Kowloon,
with Two BATH ROOMS. Separate entrance.
Apply to
DORABJEE NOWROJEE,
Victoria Hotel.
Hongkong, 18th April, 1893. [479]

TO LET.
A DETACHED 5 Roomed HOUSE on
Robinson Road with Garden. A. B.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1893. [430]

TO LET.
THIRD FLOOR in No. 6, Queen's Road.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1893. [33]

TO LET.
OFFICES, 1ST & 2ND FLOORS of No. 4,
Queen's Road Central, over the Bank of
China, Japan and Straits, Limited.
Nos. 11 & 12, COOMBE ROYAL—a large
Furnished House at Magazine Gap.
No. 20, OLD BAILEY STREET.
No. 7, PRAYA CENTRAL, at present occu-
pied by the New Oriental Bank in Liquidation.
NEW HOUSES in PRAYA TERRACE, Ben-
ham Road, near Breezy Point.
NEW HOUSES in Elgin Street, Peel Street,
and Staunton Street.
No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS.
FLOORS in Blue Buildings.
GODOWN, No. 12, Blue Buildings.
SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES at Magazine
Gap. Very cheap Rental.

No. 6, VICTORIA VIEW, Kowloon.
GROUND FLOOR No. 5, Shelley Street.
NORMAN COTTAGE in Albany Road.
"THE WILDERNESS," Chai Road.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
& AGENCY CO., Ltd.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1893. [316]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.
ROOMS TO LET.

FROM and after 1st April, 1893, to monthly
tenants only, ROOMS in the old portion
of the HOTEL, facing Queen's Road and part
of Pedder Street.
Terms for a ROOM and BOARD \$70 to \$75
per month. Application to be made to the
Manager or to the Undersigned.
By Order,
R. LYALL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1893. [379]

Intimations.

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED or UN-
FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board and
Table Accommodation.
Apply to
Mrs. MATHER,
2, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1893. [36]

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE,
STAINFIELD'S—1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

VACANCIES FOR GENTLEMEN or MAR-
RIED COUPLES at Moderate Terms.
MRS. STAINFIELD,
Proprietress.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [49]

KOCH'S PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE,
No. 30, STANLEY STREET.

BOARD and LODGING, Per Day ...\$ 1.50
BOARD (TIFFIN and DINNER) Per ...\$ 25.00
Month [370]
Hongkong, 24th March, 1893.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship

"FORKEN,"
Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above
Ports TO-MORROW, the 22nd Instant, at 3
P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1893. [486]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
THE Steamship

"PATHAN,"
Captain Wright, will be despatched as above on
or about MONDAY, the 25th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1893. [473]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at MACAO, TIMOR, PORT DARWIN, and
QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through
Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"CATTERTHUN,"
Captain Shannon, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 25th Instant, at
Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has large Cooling Cham-
bers, thus ensuring a supply of Fresh Meat,
Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. A duly qualified
Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1893. [423]

NIPPON-YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR KOBE,
(Calling at AMOY and TAKOW.)
THE Company's Steamship

"HIGO MARU,"
Captain Barton, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 25th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS,
Agent.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1893. [485]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,
VIA INLAND SEA.

THE Steamship

"BRECONSHIRE,"
Captain Parsons, will be despatched as above
on or about WEDNESDAY, the 26th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th April, 1893. [481]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"ENERGIA,"
Stokes, Commander, will be despatched for the
above Port on or about SATURDAY, the 6th
May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1893. [309]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE 200 A.J. British Ship

"CELTIC CHIEF,"
Owen, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Hongkong, 20th February, 1893. [421]

Consignees.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship
"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO."
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods from along-
side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.
J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 18th April, 1893. [1]

Intimations.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

AERATED WATERS.

WATER.—The Water used is absolutely pure.

STEAM PLANT.—Of the latest and most powerful type.

SUPERVISION.—The whole process of manufacture is under the continuous supervision of a qualified English Chemist.

The PRODUCT.—Will bear comparison with the Waters made by the most noted makers in England.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ld.,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS.

OUR NEW FACTORY has been recently refitted with automatic Steam Machinery of the latest and most approved kind, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English makers:

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

"BOMBAY SODAS."

We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, *Free of Extra Charge*, to those of our Customers who prefer to have them to the ordinary size.

COAST PORT ORDERS.

whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when received in good condition.

Counterfoil Order Books supplied free on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."

And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:

PURE AERATED WATER

SODA WATER

LEMONADE

POTASH WATER

SELTZER WATER

LITHIA WATER

SARSAPARILLA WATER

TONIC WATER

LEMON SQUASH

GINGER ALE

RASPBERRYADE

GINGERADE.

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,

The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 1893.

TELEGRAMS.

BELGIAN LABOUR RIOTS.

LONDON, April 19th.

Two "classes" of the Belgian militia have been called out to assist in suppressing the labour riots.

THE HOME RULE BILL.

Mr. Goschen, in the House of Commons, in a brilliant speech, attacked the financial proposals contained in the Bill, contending that Ireland would be unable to balance the budget.

A HAPPY FAMILY.

The Dowager Duchess of Sutherland has been imprisoned for six weeks for burning documents connected with the pending will case between her ladyship and the present Duke.

AN EXPIRING EFFORT.

April 20th.

Lord Salisbury, at a Primrose Meeting held at Covent Garden, stated that the Lords were not to be diverted from their duty by any discussion regarding their powers. Mr. Gladstone's Bill would make "hotchpotch" of the House of Commons and the Irish Members would be free to sell their allegiance to the party promising most.

(Special to Singapore Free Press.)

CHOLERA AT MALACCA.

MALACCA, April 12th, 1.30 p.m.

In the Town there are no more cases. At Pulau Sebang one case is reported. The total number of cases is sixty-six, and the deaths fifty-two. The weather is dry and the temperature eighty-nine.

April 13th, 1.40 p.m.

The number of cases is sixty-seven, and of deaths fifty-three. Three-quarters of an inch of rain fell this morning.

There has been only one doubtful case of cholera since yesterday. The weather is cool, and rain-freshens.

TERRIFIC THUNDERSTORM IN KINTA.

Yesterday there were four hours of heavy rain at Kinta, Larut, and Perak. There was a terrific thunderstorm at Batu Gajah. Five telephones were fused and a man's arm burned. The mines at Taiping are flooded, and the road is submerged to the extent of 21 inches in some places.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. Swift arrived at Singapore on the 13th inst. from Hongkong.

The average yield of the Japanese rice-fields for '93 has been estimated at about 35 bushels to the acre.

The *Gogland* and *Nargun*, Russian torpedo boats bound from Kronstadt to Vladivostok, arrived at Singapore on the 12th inst.

HARVESTON'S Circus appears to be doing good business in Singapore just now. Klax and Abel's circus is also in the southern port.

The Hon. C. P. Chatterjee yesterday for Hongkong, to inspect the coal mines and supervise the installation of new coal-cutting machinery.

The steamer *N. Sra. de Loria*, from Manila to Singapore, arrived on the 12th inst., two days late owing to the engines having broken down.

The owner of a dog which bit a coolie at a market yesterday was fined \$3 by the Magistrate to-day, and the dog was ordered to be shot.

The Russian gunboat *Silatch* arrived at Singapore from Kronstadt on the 15th inst. She is en route to Vladivostok and is accompanied by the two torpedo boats *Gogland* and *Nargun*.

A REGULAR Convocation of St. Andrew's Chapter, No. 218, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting companions are cordially invited.

MR. T. LLOYD WILLIAMS, editor of the *Bangkok Times*, who has been in Europe some two years undergoing medical treatment for a severe affection of the eyes, arrived at Singapore on the 12th inst. on his way back to Siam.

As will be seen in our advertisement columns, the new steam water-boat *Nightingale*, whose trial trip was noted in Wednesday's *Telegraph* is now at work supplying steamers with Tylam water. The owner is Mr. J. W. Kew, 17, Praya Central (over Carmichael's).

DEMOCRATIC Japan is advancing with giant strides—backwards! According to an official return recently issued there are now 11 dukes, 30 marquises, 84 counts, 337 viccounts, 110 barons & non-titled peers, and one peeress in that country, and they are still being made by the score. Dukes in the Land of the Rising Sun will soon be as numerous as are Colonels in Kentucky.

The Dutch Government steamer *Lucifer* has been placed at the disposal of the Archduke Francis and will convey him and his party to Cheongin, on the coast of Bantam, where a grand tiger hunt will be held in his honour. That neighbourhood is famous for tigers which prove so very troublesome to the inhabitants, that the success of the proposed shooting trip is expected to turn out a benefit to the people.

The Supreme Council of Sarawak has passed in the form of an order a series of rules affecting the marriages of traders and *orang dagang* (foreigners). The candidate for matrimonial honours within Sarawak territory must prove that he is unmarried and free of debt; he becomes naturalised by marriage, and is not allowed to return to his own country and leave a native wife behind him. How would this work in Hongkong?

The Band of the 1st Shropshire Light Infantry will play the following programme at the Barrack Square, this evening, commencing at 7.30 p.m.:

Polka—"Toujours Gai!"...F. Schuch.
Cavalry...F. Schuch.
Valse—"Valse de la Vieillesse"...G. Schuch.
Schottische...G. Schuch.
Lancers...G. Schuch.
Valse—"A Midst of K..."...G. Schuch.
Quadrille—"Les Coches de Corneille"...M. Schuch.
Quadrille—"Go to the Place"...F. Schuch.

AN Immense quantity of rice is being imported into Tamsui just now in anticipation of the devastations of the typhoon season. In two days as much as 6,000 piculs went over in the *Cass* and *Smith* from Amoy. The new pontoons that have lately been erected by Lapralle, Cass & Co. at Tamsui are much appreciated by the natives, as they are able to load and discharge cargo now go alongside the wharf to discharge cargo. And arrangements have been made with the Customs that cargo can at once be landed and examined in the Company's Godowns. The *Fokien* is to leave again to-morrow, we hear, with a cargo of kerosene for the usual ports.

THE *Japan Gazette* records that the total number of earthquakes experienced in that country during the year 1892 was 864, ranging from 4½ to 9½ per cent. The lowest number was reported in September and the highest in November. There were 265 shocks during the three months from March to May. Strong shocks were mostly felt in the morning between 2 to 3 o'clock, and between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. Twenty-two per cent of the whole number were strong shocks, 6 of them being felt in the provinces of Iwaki, Izu and Isumo, and 5 of them in the provinces of Sagami and Mutsu. Hyogo had the largest number, 207, but only 2 of them were strong. This is the return made by Professor Milne of the Imperial University at Tokio.

THE "Grill Room," which opens to-morrow, is exactly what Hongkong has been wanting for a very long time, and the wonder is that until now nobody has ever made a proper attempt to open out in this line. The building (at the corner of Queen's Road, Icehouse Lane and Duddell Street) has been admirably arranged by Mr. Thomas, the popular and experienced caterer, who will personally superintend the *cuisine*, and it need hardly be said that in such capable hands there will be little to be feared. The "Grill Room" will make a special feature of serving "snacks" to order, promptly and tastefully, regular meals will be supplied by arrangement, and ladies, globe-trotters, and all who prefer something less public and more convenient than a hotel, will, we feel sure, be perfectly satisfied at the "Grill Room."

THE steamship *Fokien*, which arrived here this morning, appears to have gone for a little quiet, untroubled voyage. The *Cass* between Tamsui and Amoy. The *Fokien* left the former port on the 18th inst. shortly after 10 a.m., and as she proceeded out of the harbour, passing close to the *Cass* which was also preparing to leave, the captain and officers of that vessel held some ropes, emblematic of tow lines, over the stern in a somewhat insinuating and depreciatory manner, suggestive of a nautical challenge to come and be beaten. As the *Fokien* crossed the bar, at 10.40 a.m., the *Cass* came steaming up in a most determined manner and tried to pass her easy-going opponent, a feat which was earlier contemplated than accomplished, for the firemen on the little Douglas boat just then happened to shake up the clouds, and as a cloud of smoke burst from her smoke-stack, she started, put her head down, and fringed ahead in a style that was anything but gratifying to the big fellow, who also began to rain smoke-clouds and make a great splutter, but all to no purpose, for that night the *Fokien* backed so deftly handled, made such good use of her engines, and only kept her usual speed, that she arrived in Amoy next day fully two hours ahead of the *Cass*.

DETECTIVE Green secured a \$75 conviction to-day for gambling-house-keeping in Aberdeen Street.

THE petroleum rings at both Batavia and Sourabaya have gone into liquidation, but a fresh ring has been started at the latter port. Petroleum has fallen considerably in value at Batavia.

TWO of the North German Lloyd Company's steamers employed on the line to the East, the *Bayern* and *Sachsen*, are being lengthened by about seventy feet at Messrs. Blohm and Voess's yard, Hamburg.

CAPT. Gridley, of the U. S. S. *Monitor*, writing to Singapore from Sarawak, dated 8th inst., says that while passing through Casuar Strait, the British ship *Englehorn* signalled "Here in this place thirty-five days."

ALTHOUGH last year's accounts of the Austrian Lloyd have not yet been balanced, it is understood that not only will there be no deficit, but that a large instalment (\$200,000 na den) of the former deficit will be wiped off.

THE preliminary hearing of a case, Regina v. Ahamat, arising out of the recent assault on the editor of the *Siam Free Press* was opened at the Bangkok British Consular Court on the 6th inst. Ahamat is a gharry driver.

THE latest tobacco news from Deli is that planting has begun on several of the up-country estates. The prospects of the year's crop, so far looked bright. The shipment of last year's crop went on briskly during March and is expected to be over in May.

THE Singapore *Free Press* of the 14th inst. states that when H.M.S. *Kiriband* was leaving Kuching, Sarawak, on the 13th March, the water being very low at the time, she touched a bank just off Pangkalan Bata but as the *Kiriband* commenced an hour later got off again with very little trouble.

CHARLES Grant Logan, a Singapore solicitor, was struck off the rolls by order of the Court (Acting Chief Justice Bonner and Justice Collyer and Gatty) on the 13th inst., for having used 2,000 rupees' worth of an Insurance Company's promissory notes, entrusted to him for collection, as security against his own hotel bills in October, 1891.

To judge from the following, forgery must be regarded as a very trifling offence in Japan. The authors of a considerable number of forged 5 yen notes were recently arrested at Tokio and were sentenced to the task of printing the same. The punishment was a fine of 8 yen while the assistant who was let down with the same term but *was* let off. The engraver implicated in the case was acquitted.

A CORONER'S Inquest was held in Singapore on the body of a ship's officer named Brown, who died in Hospital there on the morning of the 13th inst. Evidence was adduced to the effect that the deceased was a deserter from the ship, was found on Johnston's Pier on the previous night by the police in an almost helpless state of drunkenness. He was conveyed to the Central Station and subsequently to the Hospital where he died. The verdict was that the deceased had succumbed to excessive alcoholism. No mention was made as to the ship's name.

THE report of the directors of the Mysore Gold Mining Company (Limited) for the twelve months ending December 31st, 1892, states that the gold sales for the year realised the sum of 249,372, and the receipts from other sources amounted to 2907, which to the other make the gross income on revenue account 252,279. After charging against this all revenue expenditure and the royalty on gold, there remains a balance of 133,167, being the profit on the year's working. The total dividends distributed for the year 1892 amounted to 100,732 shs. or 50 per cent upon the capital of the company.

At the Magistrate's to-day, before Capt. Hastings, a Chinese contractor named Leung Ya was charged with having extended the water service to 8 and 9 Stewart Terrace, Mount Gough, on the 18th inst., without the consent of His Excellency the Water Authority, and also with having neglected to shut off the water while connecting it, thereby causing waste of water. Mr. Crook, of the P.W.D. Department, Defendant said he had informed Mr. Palmer, and thought that was sufficient; and he had not neglected to shut off the water as stated. His Worship fined defendant \$20 for the two offences charged, and \$2 in addition for lying. That is all right and very good, to look after the water supply; but what we want to see is \$200 fine on somebody for failing to supply the water. Why should oceans of the precious fluid be wasted at the Peak, when people in Wai-lung have not a drop?

CHINESE papers report the death at Canton of Shu Lo Ng, better known to foreigners in Hongkong as Tze Cheong Tye, Deputy to the Hoppo of Canton and for many years connected with the Canton revenue cruisers. It was to the order of Mr. Tze Cheong Tye that the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., some thirteen years ago, built the first gun built at constructed at Kowloon, a handsome little craft with a ram steam which is famous known on the Canton river. The *David Glad*, which was built for the satisfaction to the Chinese authorities, and we believe is still in active service. Mr. Tze Cheong Tye was a man of exceptional ability and without any of the prejudices against Europeans so common amongst the mandarins. He was so good to a fault (as the *Journal* of hospitality, his yards always being open to his foreign friends. It is reported that the deceased officer, whose funeral will take place on the 23rd inst., left an estate worth over one million dollars.

THE report for six months ending 16th February '93 which the Directors of the Jelabu Mining and Trading Co. Ltd. issued to the shareholders at Singapore on the 13th inst. is a most satisfactory one. It says: "After paying all charges, making full allowances for depreciation of houses, plant, and furniture, there remains at the credit of profit and loss account the balance of \$69,094. Out of this sum the directors recommend (1) payment of a dividend of 10 per cent for the half year, being at the rate of 20 per cent p. a. which would amount to \$22,500; (2) that a sum of \$35,000 be placed to Reserve; and that the balance of \$7,594 be carried forward. The reserve fund, with the above addition would then stand at \$90,000 equal to 40 per cent of the Company's capital."

In referring to the report the *Singapore Free Press* remarks: "The history of the Jelabu Mining Company is really a remarkable narrative of great profits earned by rough Chinese methods under continuous and careful European supervision. If every mine of the Malay Peninsula had been of the same nature, the colony of the Straits would be presenting a very different appearance. Nevertheless, great profits do not justify a disregard of small matters, and it is the current talk that night the *Fokien* backed so deftly handled, made such good use of her engines, and only kept her usual speed, that she arrived in Amoy next day fully two hours ahead of the *Cass*.

THE Serikel valley, Borneo, is being explored for antimony under the supervision of Mr. Wood, practical geologist in the employment of the Borneo Company, Ltd. The ore has been found at many places ranging over 100 miles, and is said to occur in several instances in payable quantities.

TSANG ATO, hawker, was caught by a watchman at the Fire Station yesterday while in the act of bolting with \$25 worth of a brother hawker's cloth goods. At the police court to-day the prisoner pleaded that he was a cook on board the *Cleopatra*, and was only going on board to get the money to pay for his day, and the fireman was sent to prison for six days, and the hawker was as usual rewarded for catching him. How many dozen times have we asked whether it would not be cheaper to have a policeman on duty at this crowded corner?

THE *Singapore Free Press* of the 14th inst. mentions "M. J. Eglington arrived here yesterday morning" from Raub, bringing with him a box containing samples of stone from the reef recently discovered in the new Raub Hole workings. The stone is undoubtedly good, running perhaps 4 ounces, or over, to the ton. It will be a good thing if this reef turns out continuous, and anything even half as good as the stuff sent down to-day. As the new winding gear is all in position and in working order on this shaft, there should be no difficulty in keeping the battery going from this reef alone."

A telegram was received in Singapore on the 15th by the local agent of the company to the effect that "crushing at Raub and all prospects continue good."

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. E. F. Aikroyd, Puisne Judge.)

April 21st.

ALLEGED "VANISHING ACT" LIBEL.

John Thomas Cotton sued Robert Fraser-Smith for \$1,000 damages for alleged libel contained in a paragraph in the *Hongkong Telegraph* of the 10th inst. Mr. Holmes defended, and the plaintiff appeared in person.

Mr. Holmes asked that a day be set down for the hearing of the case, and suggested that it would be more convenient in a case of this sort to have pleadings filed.

His lordship (to plaintiff):—You are suing defendant for \$1,000 for libel, and you have attempted to set out something here in the writ which I cannot understand. What is the libel of which you complain?

Plaintiff:—This piece in the *Telegraph* said that I had "vanished"—gone from the colony, and run away from my creditors.

His lordship:—No, it does not say that. Plaintiff:—Well, it means that.

His lordship:—Well, if it means that, you ought to have a proper statement showing exactly what you complain of; I cannot gather from this statement what it is you mean. I see also you put in a claim for special damages, and I cannot understand why you claim that. It would be better if you got legal advice, as your case is not properly stated. I cannot make it out, because I had an application made to me the other day for an order to seize and break open your office; there was an affidavit that you had gone, and that you had not been near the place for some time.

Plaintiff:—I had not gone. I was in the Colony.

His lordship:—Then the affidavit was wrong? Plaintiff:—Yes, it was wrong—false.

His lordship:—But your shop was shut, and you were not to be found.

Plaintiff:—The shop was shut, but I was in Hongkong. I had been to Canton, and I came back on Sunday, and was at my house. I have witnesses to prove I was in the Colony on Sunday.

His lordship:—Well, your best course is to get legal advice, if possible, and have your case stated properly.

Mr. Holmes:—I think, my lord, I must ask for adjournment to be given for counsel, in a case like this where the plaintiff has no place of residence in the Colony.

Plaintiff:—I have.

His lordship:—Where?

Plaintiff:—I reside at No. 2, St. Francis Street.

His lordship:—Your office? closed up?

Plaintiff:—Yes, I do business at my house.

His lordship:—Well, let the case stand over until Thursday (27th) at half-past ten, and see what state it is in then.

Mr. Holmes:—And in the meantime your lordship does not order pleadings?

His lordship:—No.

MACAO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Macao, April 20th.

Governor da Boija, it is reported, completed his negotiations at Bangkok (for the present at any rate) and left on Monday in the *Diu* for Macao, making only a very brief call at Saigon.

It is further stated (though I cannot say on what authority, though it seems there must have been some telegraphic despatch) that it is found necessary, in the Franco-Siamese quarrel, which is now developing very seriously, to safeguard the interests of Portuguese residents in Siam by despatching the gunboat *Bango*, which has just been docked and overhauled at Hongkong, and is under orders to be ready to leave as soon as the *Diu* returns.

You see, we are not like Great Britain, with a few dozen warships to spare at a moment's notice; we are more like the United States, who as concerns our Navy out here! So we have to keep one boat here while the other is away.

It is stated that the quarrel between the Siam and the White Elephant will probably be submitted to arbitration. Something must be done to settle the question one way or the other.

On His Excellency's return to Macao, I hear that he will leave almost at once for Japan, on a diplomatic mission in reference to the recent extra-territorial jurisdiction dispute. Sr. da Boija will be accompanied by Sr. Loureiro, late Minister to Japan, who will co-operate with him in the negotiations. After that, as I have previously reported, Sr. da Boija will go home.

The transport *Alfama* is now on her way out, and will bring from Goa the Maharaja's recruits for the Macao police guard. She will also have on board Sr. Amaro Gomes, brother of Comr. Azevedo Gomes, senior naval officer out here. These are in addition to the usual reliefs, an account of which I gave you some time ago.

The new Colonial Secretary, Sr. A. Lello, arrived here on Monday last, but does not come on board the *Diu* until the Governor's return from Bangkok. The reason for this is that the Governor's absence, the Harbour Master, as next highest officer, has been administering the government, and if Sr. Lello took up his duties there would be yet another change in the Regency, the latter gentleman being higher of course than the former, and as it is only a matter of a few days, and the new man will be all the better for a little rest and time to settle down and look around him, it is not worth all the trouble which would be involved in installing him at once.

He is quite a young man, and appears to be full of promise of being clever and highly suited to the office. It is reported that a telegram was sent to the Governor in Bangkok informing him of Sr. Lello's arrival, and that a wire came in reply suggesting the delay.

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THE ARCHBISHOP'S PRAYER.

["The Protestants of Ireland, headed by Archbishop Plunkett, have offered up a prayer asking the Almighty to save them from the Home Rulers."—*Home Paper*.]

THE PRAYER.

(With Apologies to the Shade of the Immortal Robin.)

Oh Lord, who up on high dost dwell,
Who lovest thine elect so well,
Who sendest all thy foes to hell—
Our enemies do thou quell thy glory!

We pray before thee!

An awful, fearful, Popish crew
Are trying all that they can do
To injure thy beloved Jew,
And bring us to destruction!

But, Lord! before they can subvert
We'll have a mighty ruckus!

For if these blasted Papists win,
They'll waste in blood up to the chin!
Then won't we make an awful din,
And wake all creation!

Oh, Lord! do thou prevent such sin,
And save for US this nation!

If bound to fight this heathen band,
We'll massacre right up to hand,
And grab their property and land—
Not one of them shall live!

Oh, Lord! now make them all disband—
No mercy will we give!

Scoundrel howl will lead the van,
Behind him—O'er his shoulder—
While Billy Johnson's lovely fiancé
Of Campaign takes the ban!

Lord, on Home Rulers set thy ban—
On every mother's son!

Home Rule shall never on our shore
Set foot, till we have sworn in gore;
And even then we'll howl for more,
For bloodthirsty are we!

Oh, Lord! thy aid we do implore—
From Papists set us free.

'Tis true we've lost the good Cobain,
By acts that gave us heart and pain;
But sure we'll welcome back again
Such valiant men of mettle.

Lord, our ascendancy maintain,
Home Rulers' hash to scotch!

The intellect is on our side,
And all the wealth with us doth bide;
Lord, turn that Bad Old Man aside
From his intention fell!

The Romish priests his army guide—
The Hottentots of Hell!

AMEN.

THE HONGKONG UNOFFICIAL PROTEST.

In the House of Commons on the 16th March Mr. Balfour asked the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies if a formal protest had been received at the Colonial Office from all of the unofficial members of the Legislative Council of Hongkong against the third reading of the Bill of the Appropriation Ordinance (No. 12 of 1893), in which they affirm that the sums allocated for salaries and official expenses were much in excess of what was necessary and what the colony could afford; if such sums for the salaries, &c., were included by the committee of Council overruling the decision of the Finance Committee, which had passed a resolution amending the Estimates for 1893, and reducing the corresponding items in the Appropriation Ordinance, and if, in view of this protest and the known depressed condition of affairs in the colony, the Secretary of State for the Colonies would grant the prayer of the protesters, that an independent Commission be appointed with full power to investigate and report on the condition of affairs in Hongkong and the relative cost of the administration.

Mr. S. Ruxton informed Mr. Balfour that the Secretary of State for the Colonies had received the protest. While the Secretary of State could not consent to a reduction of the salaries of those in office, he was fully alive to the fact that the expenditure was very high, and was taking measures, consistently with respect to the claims of existing officers, to reduce it. The question of an inquiry was under consideration.

Commenting on these statements, the *Overland Mail* says:—Mr. Balfour, M. P., put last evening to the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies a well drafted question on the protest of the unofficial members of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, on which we have previously commented. The reply will be found in the *Overland Mail* of the 17th inst.

Under our Eastern Parliamentary report. It will not satisfy public opinion in the Colony, for while it is admitted by Lord Ripon that the expenditure there is "very high," he declines to consent to a reduction of salaries of those in office. But the protest of the unofficial members was definitely based upon the contention that the existing salaries of Hongkong officials were recently raised under circumstances which, though they justified the increase at the time, had since altered, and that there had been an express reservation of the right to review these additions should it be found necessary. Of course we accept the statement in the protest as correct, until it is disproved. It has a certain official character, considering from whom it emanates. If correct, the Secretary of State's refusal to consent to a reduction of the salaries of those in office, or even to discuss it, seems to be both arbitrary and impolitic. It can only intensify the feeling in the Colony that the general interests of the colonists are being subordinated to those of the officials, who were only able to resist the reduction proposed by the representatives of the members of the Legislative Council by the official vote. The point again is ignored in the answer to Mr. Balfour, who will be well advised in prodding the Under-Secretary a little more sharply. Does the Colonial Office hold that on a question of official salaries the verdict of officials, on their own case and given to their own advantage, is a competent verdict? Even if it is so in law, under Crown Colony constitutions, the Colonial Office has power, and the responsibility is thrown upon it, to review the official decision. This is what the protest has asked Lord Ripon to do, and his reply is a non-*possumus*. Such a reply is not sufficient.

The announcement that the Secretary for the Colonies is taking measures, "consistently with respect to the claims of existing officials," which claims, as we have seen, the protest traverses—to reduce the expenditure, by no means meets the case put forward by the unofficial members. Hongkong is not only over-stocked with officials, but it conceives itself to be over-stocked for the millions of contributors. If the Secretary of State's real for economy takes the direction of reducing that exaction to equitable proportions the Colony might bear with great equanimity the alleged overcharge for administration. But, we fear, that is not the direction in which economy will be sought. It will be some satisfaction to the colonists to learn that Lord Ripon has the subject of an independent inquiry under consideration. If that case is a good one, such an investigation must bring out many facts in relation to the questions at issue, which may tend to modify the opinions now ruling at the Colonial Office and at all events will have some influence on the final judgment of the House of Commons, to which we presume an appeal will be made.

SAM CHEE.

A ROMANCE.

Sam Chee he hailed from China, which was his native shore,
His eyes were bright and narrow, a long pigtail he wore;

Quite foreign were his garments, and, I regret to tell,
Sam Chee he had about him a most peculiar smell.

The same, I've heard it mentioned, was rumored to arise
From his dislike to water, and eating puppy pies!

He noted on the latter, he was a heathen wight,
And ways we think unchristian. As reckoned were "all right."

For instance, in his morals he was a trifle free,
And used to visit places unfit for you or me.

Sam Chee he liked to gamble, but it is well to note,
The manner of his error was not by way of "tote."

Faunt-tan, it was his fancy, indeed, he made a bit
By fleeing foolish white men who tried to win at it.

For he it well remembered that at such games as these,
The White can't hold a candle to the bland Chinese.

He does not take to boxing, and "cliket" he dis-likes,
His handicapped in running—his boots won't carry spikes.

Our football quite upsets him, and boating makes him ill,
He does not take to water—he'd sooner take a pill.

But when at "playing 'possum," his energies are set,
His more athletic brother is out of it, you bet.

However, to my story—Sam Chee was hand- and glove
With little Cypid always, and so he fell in love.

And, breaking through the custom he'd followed all his life,
He took unto his bosom a "European" wife.

Now, Mrs. Chee was handsome, and might have married well,
But women fancy Chinooks tho' why I cannot tell.

There is a strange tradition relating to this taste,
Not fit for publication, so let us onward haste.

Sam Chee had "plenty money," and his mis- and by-
Began in female fashion to make the latter fly.

She held convivial parties—the talk of all the street,
Whereat there was much liquor and overmuch meat.

At last, Jim Duck (and lady), Hop Chow, Ah Slick,
Smell Fat, Ah Rat, Mick War Hat, How Doo, Shoon Diak Chow Chow.

On Lee, Kate Chuck (and sweetheart), Hart Koo, Go Way, and all
The *don* of the alley you'd find at *roust* and ball.

Where Mrs. Sam Chee figured as hostess free
And fair, amidst the flow' and fashion she had assembled there.

Sam Chee at first protested, but being weak and slim,
He found he'd caught a Tartar, who proved too much for him!

And in his woe remembered the people from the West,
Before he'd conquered China, and, sighing, gave it best.

So Mrs. Chee went romping along the path of life,
Her spouse in silence cursing his "European" wife.

'Tis true he was not jealous, at least there was, so far,
No outward cause to make him as husbands sometimes are.

For Mrs. Chee, though frisky, was otherwise as free,
From ways we call "immoral" as—well as, Mrs. Chee!

Chuck Duck was tall and handsome—of course, my friend, you've guessed,
From such a plain beginning, or think you have—the plain beginning.

Your practised mind suggests it, as well as I could do;
And though I'm very sorry, I must admit 'twas true.

Sam Chee became suspicious, and as he watched one night
The woman of his choice, discovered things were not "all right."

Straitway he bought a dagger—his mind was out of joint—
And brand the deadly weapon unto a cruel point.

For with his plans concocted and bland of manner he
Went out and met his rival and asked him in to tea!

The unsuspecting victim he tied his pigtail up,
And went to Sam Chee's mansion where roasted pig and pup.

And dishes strange and foreign and comfits queer and sweet
Were laid upon the table for all the three to eat.

They stuffed themselves in silence, Sam Chee, they were watching close,
He saw beneath the table her foot upon his toes.

He saw their secret glances, he smiled upon his wife,
And said, "Please excuse me!" he went and got his knife!

"He, ha, thou perjured villain!" he shouted in Chinese,
Chuck Duck perceived the dagger and fell upon his knees.

While Miss Chee, in anguish I would not dare to paint,
One fearful shriek emitted and fell into a faint!

Sam Chee he caught his victim—the reader please will note,
He did not grasp his pigtail, he held him by the throat!

Then high the knife he lifted above that victim's head,
And in a tone of hatred, of deadly kind, he said:

"You plucky China luffian, look here, so help me out,
You plucky China luffian, look here, so help me out,

No slice same you take her, I cut you throat across!"

Chuck Duck, I guess he "sawed," at any rate
He is still unburied and as fat as fat can be.

On pots and pots of money they say of late he's struck,
Nor doth his partner "blue it" for she is Mrs. Duck!

EDWIN J. BRADY in *Sydney Bulletin*.

THINGS TO REMEMBER BY.

It's great fortune was unexpectedly left me (and it would be unexpected) till I was anything that I should never forget the time or place where I first heard of it. Or if I should go home to-night and find (which God forbid) my house burned up, and everything in it, I'm equally certain that the main dream-
memory until all the rest of the pictures fade out in the light of the life that is to be. "Would be the same with you, I fancy?" Yes.

And here comes a woman who will not soon forget the month of December, 1890. It is not because Christmas comes in that month, for it is what she lost, not what was given her, that makes that particular time stand out above other times. And what she lost was her health, a matter worth talking about as no man can tell when he may be more interested in that subject than in politics or the price of securities.

She says her illness began with nausea. She could keep nothing on her stomach, and throw up what she ate. "A dirty green fluid." Now this dirty green fluid is not a thing to be disgusted at but to be studied and understood. It is bile, and bile is one of the most important agents in the getting rid of the contents of the bowels. It tells the way, so to speak, and helps to make the mass of stuff inside there more liquid and easily moved. The liver gets it from the blood, and when our machinery is all right we don't know there is such a thing in our bodies. But when the liver is torpid and lazy, then the bile stays in the blood and poisons us all over. It makes the head ache, the skin yellow and dry, and finally is expelled from the mouth, as this woman says. Nature can't use it the right way, so she throws it overboard the best way she can, which is a bad and sickening way indeed.

Our lady friend goes on to mention that her tongue was covered with thick slime, her appetite was poor, she had a foul taste in the mouth, and what she ate gave her great pain in the chest and back. All these symptoms were signs of one trouble, and liable to do an immense amount of mischief, just as a wild animal loose in the streets may do a variety of mischief before he is captured and shut up again.

"I felt cold chills all over me," she says, "and would sit over the fire for hours, for I felt so chilled and often had to get up and walk about the floor."

This was a miserable state to be in, and nobody ever experienced it without looking back to it with horror and dismay. That is, if he ever got over it. He never does. He gets worse and worse until the doctors shake their heads, and old friends wipe their noses and think about certain funerals that are going to come off before long. For this disease is the essence and substance of almost all the rest, no matter what names they are called by. It scatters death with both hands, and fills you so full of pain and misery—mind and body—that you soon don't care much whether you live or not.

Well, let us hear more from our friend. "I had so much pain," she says, "that it took all the power out of my body. At times my breathing almost stopped. I would gasp for breath, and for hours I was in agony. After any simple food I was so bad I had to lie on the couch, and one night I thought I was dying."

"Last April my husband persuaded me to try Mother Selig's Syrup, that had cured him of liver complaint. I got a bottle from Mr. Jack, in High Street, and in a few days felt easier, and after taking three bottles more I was completely cured and have had no pain since. I never felt better than I do now."

"Yours truly,"

"MABELLA LIDDELL MOWBRAY,

"78, Fishergate, Macclesfield, near Edinburgh,"

September 17th, 1891."

We congratulate Mrs. Mowbray on her recovery and there are thousands who will do the same. Four months of acute indigestion and dyspepsia is enough to ruin a man for years before he either never recovers, or, if he does, the remedy that cured him, or to enlighten them she wants us to publish this little history. Now she will remember April as well as December.—*Advt.*

Today's Advertisements.

ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER,
HONGKONG, No. 218, S.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCAION of the above Chapter will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 21st instant, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [430]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship "CATHERINE APCAR,"

Captain J. G. O'Brien will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [439]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/5 L. L. I. German Ship

"IRON DUKE,"

Havsgen, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [437]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "CATHERINE APCAR,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed, that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 24th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [438]

A CONVERSATION AND EXHIBITION

will be given

on

THURSDAY, April 27th, at 9 P.M.,

in the

CITY HALL,

Under the auspices of the

HONGKONG "ODD VOLUMES."

H.E. ST. WILLIAM ROBINSON

has kindly consented to open the

CONVERSATION.

The EXHIBITION will include the Exhibits

to be sent to the

IMPERIAL INSTITUTE

representing the resources of Hongkong.

AN INDIAN COURT, INDUSTRIAL, PHILOSOPHICAL, ETHNOLOGICAL, BOTANICAL, and GEOLOGICAL SECTIONS.

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Industrial Exhibition to which the Gas, Electric Light, Telephone, Sugar, Brick and Cement and other Companies will contribute.

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Glass making, die printing, steel engraving, book binding and stamping.

&c., &c., &c.

An admission of \$1 will be charged to cover

expenses. Tickets may be obtained at Messrs. LAM, CRAWFORD & Co. and Messrs. KELLY and WALKER, Ltd., or at the door.

SIDNEY FREEMAN, Hon. Sec. "Odd Volumes."

Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [430]

Advertisements.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"

Captain F. Davies, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 28th instant, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [424]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"S.S. 'PATHAN,'

FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th instant will be subject to sale.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 28th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 28th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1893. [423]

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VICTORIA LODGE

HONGKONG, No. 1026.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1893. [421]

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Telegraphic Address "SKEELS" Hongkong.

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Cargoes received for Storage, Insurance effected.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1893. [470]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF

WELL MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, MARINBURK AND OTHER MAKES.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

TO-MORROW,

(SATURDAY), the 22nd April, 1893,

commencing at 2.30 P.M.,

at his SALES ROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF WELL MADE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE OF MARINBURK AND OTHER MAKES.

Comprising—

MOROCCO COVERED COUCH & EASY CHAIRS, DRAWING-ROOM SUITE IN SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH, Handsome PLATE CABINET, MARBLE-TOP & TEA-TABLES, MUSIC STANDS, very fine TEAK OVER-MANTLE with BEVELLED GLASS, PUSH FRAMED BEVELLED MIRRORS, COTTAGE PIANO, BOOK-CASE, DAVONPORTS, CLOCKS, LAMPS, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, LACE CURTAINS, CARPETS, RUGS, EXTENSION DINING TABLES and CHAIRS, SIDEBOARDS with GLASSBACKS, WHATNOTS, PLATED, GLASS and CROCKERY-WARE, &c., &c.

DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON and BRASS BEDSTEADS, with WIRE and HAIR-MATTRESSES, CHILD'S IRON COT, DOUBLE and SINGLE WARDROBES with PLATE GLASS DOORS, MARBLE-TOP WASH-STANDS, DRESSING TABLES, TOILET SETS, "SHAVING" GLASS, BEDROOM SUITES, &c., &c.

BATHROOM REQUISITES, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued prior to Sale, and the above will be on view on Friday the 21st.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1893. [476]

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF

